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re Patent Application of

Yousuki Moriuchi et al.

Application No.: 10/044,969

Filed: January 15, 2002

For: STENT

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Group Art Unit: 3731

Examiner: DARWIN P EREZO

Confirmation No.: 2991

SECOND REQUEST FOR REFUND

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A Request for Refund was filed in this application on April 29, 2005 requesting a refund of \$420.00 for a charge incorrectly applied to our Deposit Account No. 02-4800. Attached is a copy of the earlier filed Request for Refund.

As explained in the earlier Request for Refund, an Official Action was issued on December 29, 2003 in this application setting a three month shortened statutory period for reply. A response to that Official Action was filed on March 26, 2004 (a copy of the postcard receipt is attached). Thus, the \$420.00 fee for a Petition for Two Month Extension of Time charged to our Deposit Account in April 2004 under Code 1252 was improper and should be refunded.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit this refund to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

Any questions or comments that arise from this paper should be directed to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:		
Encl	osed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.	
	A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.	
	Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the \$55.00 (2814) \$110.00 (1814) fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.	
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	Small entity, status is hereby claimed.	
	Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the \$385.00 (2801) \$770.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).	
	Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.	
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	An additional claim f	ee is required,	and is calculated	i as shown below.
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AMENDED CLAIMS					
	No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	15	MINUS 20	0	x \$18.00 (1202) =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	2	MINUS 3	. 0	x \$86.00 (1201) =	\$ 0.00
If Amendment adds n	nultiple depen	dent claims, add	\$290.00 (1203)		
Total Claim Amendment Fee				\$ 0.00	
Small Entity Statu	s claimed - su	btract 50% of To	tal Claim Amendm	ent Fee	\$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL	L CLAIM FEE	DUE FOR THIS	AMENDMENT		\$ 0.00

A check in the amount	of is enclosed for the fee due.
Charge	to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: March 26, 2004

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The election of Species I is made with traverse because it is believed that all

of the claims of this application can be examined at the same time without serious

burden. In one respect, the search required for the non-elected species would be

substantially coextensive with the search associated with the elected species. In

addition, examining all of the claims of this application at the same time would only

involve consideration of a few additional claims.

In light of the foregoing, withdrawal of the election of species requirement and

examination of all of the claims of this application, including Claims 1-7 directed to

the elected species, are respectfully requested.

Should any questions arise in connection with this application, the

undersigned respectfully requests that he be contacted at the number indicated

below.

Respectfully submitted,

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